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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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Title: CHARGE INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS, FRANCHISE SYSTEM PROVIDED THE CHARGE INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS, CHARGE CALCULATING METHOD, RECORDING MEDIUM, AND PROGRAM

1. Papers enclosed

A. Required for filing date under 37 CFR 1.53(b) (Regular) are:

- 39 Page(s) of Specification
9 Page(s) of Claims
1 Page(s) of Abstract
5 Sheets of Formal Drawings (Figs. 1-5)

B. Other Papers Enclosed

- A Patent Application Bibliographic Data
 A Preliminary Amendment
 A combined Declaration and Power of Attorney
 A Claim for Priority and a certified copy of 2000-245861 filed August 14, 2000 in JAPAN
 An Information Disclosure Statement
 PTO Form-1449
 An Assignment Transmittal and Assignment of the invention to
TSUBASA SYSTEM CO., LTD.

2. Additional Papers to Follow Under Separate Cover

3. Relate Back

A. 35 U.S.C. 119(e)

- [] Priority of provisional application Serial No. , filed , is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119(e).

B. 35 U.S.C. 120, 121 and 365(c)

Priority of said prior application , filed , is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §120.

C. 35 U.S.C. 119 Priority Claim for Prior Application

Priority of foreign application(s) is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 as follows:

Japanese Application No. 2000-245861 filed August 14, 2000

A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application was filed in prior application Serial No. on .

A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application is filed herewith.

4. Amend the specification by inserting after the title and before the first line the sentence:

--Cross Reference to Related Application

This is a continuation-in-part application of U.S. Serial No. , filed , the entirety of which is incorporated herein by reference.--

5. Small Entity Status

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR § 1.27.

6. The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

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B. Fees for Claims (33 Claims; 6 Indep.)

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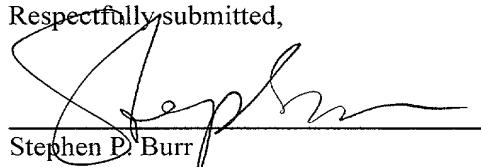
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